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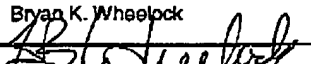
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Examiner: Kristin D. Rogers

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**REMARKS**

In response to the Restriction Requirement in the Office Action of June 1, 2006,  
Applicant elects Invention 1, claims 1-17 and 23-41.

In response to the Election of Species Requirement in the Office Action of June  
1, 2006, applicant respectfully submits that the election of species is improper and  
should be withdrawn. Even though the various species may be patentably distinct, the